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FOR: 2-Amino-4,5 Heptenoic Acid Derivatives Useful as Nitric Oxide Synthase,

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The Official letter mailed July 16, 2002 has been received, and in response thereto the following Amendment A is respectfully submitted.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 31, lines 21-25: please delete the paragraph:

Example 8 (2S, 4Z)-Amino-5-methyl-6-(1-iminoethylamino)-hept-4-enoic acid

Please insert (replace with):

Example 8 (2S, 4Z)-2-Amino-5-methyl-6-(1-iminoethylamino)-hept-4-enoic acid